1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	Assam	134		15846	6.75
4.	Bihar	976	988	690466	16.62
5.	Chhattisgarh	15	53	12482	0.026
6.	Gujarat	486	9707	41756	4.68
7.	Goa	3		1100	negligible
8.	Himachal Pradesh	98	3087	10820	1.13
9.	Jharkhand	2	2	986	0.01
10.	Karnataka	222	12958	231698	5
11.	Kerala	262	2813	58804	0.38
12.	Madhya Pradesh	76	307	18321	0.04
13.	Mizoram	12	8	2243	0.04
14.	Maharashtra	155	1477	47045	negligible
15.	Meghalaya	—	—	—	—
16.	Orissa	91	662	104712	3.19
17.	Punjab	7	18	527	0.28
18.	Rajasthan	63	5114	10058	
19.	Tamil Nadu	52	159	726	
20.	Tripura	8		3	negligible
21.	Uttar Pradesh	261	157	165064	5.13
22.	Uttarakhand	83	275	979	
23.	West Bengal	348	4154	996948	24.91
24.	Puducherry	2	150	159	2.15
	TOTAL	3494	104423	2659544	72.546

Ground water

1614. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether taking the Prime Minister's advice on addressing water availability concerns *via-a-vis* global warming forward, the Advisory Council for Artificial Recharge of Ground Water under the Ministry, has vowed to bring out a white paper on the "Impact of Climate Change of India's Hydrological Cycle";

(b) whether Ministry has set up advisory council drawn from farmer's representatives, NABARD, rural electrification corporations, industries, public undetakings, NGOs in addition to Government officials to deliberate on a programme to make rainwater harvesting and water conservation as a national goal; and

(c) the steps being considered in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The Artificial Recharge of Ground Water Advisory Council under the Ministry of Water Resources in its 2nd meeting held on 12th September, 2007 at New Delhi discussed the steps to be taken for studying the impact of climate change on India's hydrological cycle, besides other issues.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Steps taken by the Ministry of Water Resources for rain water harvesting and water conservation include:—

(i) Dissemination of information on rain water harvesting and ground water recharge to all stakeholders.

(ii) Conducting of mass awareness and training programmes on rain water harvesting.

(iii) Institution of National Water Award and Bhoomaijal Samvardhan Puraskar in the Ministry of Water Resources for NGOs/Gram Panchayats/Urban Local Bodies.

Soil subsidence near dams

1615. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Central Government has been drawn to the severe problem being faced in rural areas by soil subsidence caused near irrigation dams;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that representations have been received from different States by Government to conduct a comprehensive study for the cause of soil subsidence;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and dam-wise; and

(e) the steps taken by the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (e) No representation has been received from any State in Central Water Commission to conduct any study for the cause of soil subsidence near irrigation dams. However, an individual from Polavaram, West Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh has recently addressed a letter to Union Ministry of Water Resources stating massive soil subsidence since Kovvada dam was built at L.N.D. Peta across Kovvada river in West Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh. Since irrigation is State subject, the matter has been referred to respective State Government Organization.

Implementation of ongoing water management development schemes

1616. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the various Ministries responsible for implementation of the ongoing water management development schemes of the Central Government;

(b) whether division of responsibility to handle 'Water' by various Ministries does not result in mutiplicity and dilution of authority/accountability;

(c) whether the Planning Commission or Standing/Consultative Committees of 'Water Resources' made any recommendation, in above context; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and status of implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Related activities in respect to water resources development and management are undertaken by respective Ministries. The details are given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).